COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

NOTICE OF PURCHASED GAS

ADJUSTMENT FILING OF MARTIN

GAS, INC.

) CASE NO. 8730-F

ORDER

On May 9, 1983, the Commission issued its Order in Case No. 8730 approving certain adjustments in rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased or a refund is received.

On January 3, 1984, Martin Gas, Inc., ("Martin") notified the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be decreased by its supplier, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia") effective January 1, 1984, and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with its purchased gas adjustment clause on file with this Commission.

After reviewing the record in this case and being advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

(1) Martin's notice of January 3, 1984, set out certain revisions in rates which Martin proposed to place into effect, said rates being designed to pass on the wholesale decrease in price from its supplier in the amount of \$1,601 or 2.9 cents per Mcf.

- (2) By Order issued November 23, 1983, the Commission granted Columbia increased rates on Rehearing in Case No. 8738 in the amount of 8.3 cents per Mcf. On December 29, 1983, the Commission authorized Columbia to decrease rates effective January 1, 1984, in the amount 2.9 cents per Mcf. On December 21, 1983, in Case No. 8730-E and January 3, 1984, in Case No. 8730-F, Martin requested permission to track Columbia's rates.
- (3) Martin's notice of January 3, 1984, requested an effective date of January 1, 1984, for its proposed rates. This would result in increased rates to Martin's customers prior to the expiration of the required 20-day statutory notice in Case No. 8730-E. Therefore, the proposed rates should be effective on and after January 10, 1984, to coincide with the effective date in Case No. 8730-E.
- (4) Martin should report to the Commission any excess revenues collected during the period from January 10, 1984, to the date the proposed rates are implemented, along with a plan to refund any excess collections to its customers.
- (5) Martin's adjustment in rates under the purchased gas adjustment provisions approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 8730 dated May 9, 1983, is fair, just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be effective with gas supplied on and after January 10, 1984.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the rates in the Appendix to this Order be and they hereby are authorized effective with gas supplied on and after January 10, 1984, and shall supersede the rates authorized in Case No. 8730-E.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days of the date of this Order Martin shall report to the Commission any excess revenues collected during the period from January 10, 1984, to the date the proposed rates are implemented, along with a plan to refund any excess collections.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days of the date of this Order Martin shall file with this Commission its revised tariffs setting out the rates authorized herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 20th day of January, 1984.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 8730-F DATED 1/20/84

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers served by Martin Gas, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

RATES: Monthly

First 1 Mcf Over 1 Mcf \$6.9181 Per Mcf 6.8181 Per Mcf

Minimum Bill

The minimum bill shall be \$7.00

The base rate for the future application of the purchased gas adjustment clause of Martin Gas, Inc., shall be:

Commodity

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. Southeastern Gas Company

\$5.666 per Mcf 0.140 per Mcf